

Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Submit An Application To The Department Of State 2007-2008 Shared Municipal Services Incentive Grant Program For Grant Funds To Support An “Ulster County-Wide Shared Services Feasibility Study & Implementation Plan”

The Ways and Means Committee (Chairman Lomita and Legislators Bartels, Berardi, Gregorius, Provenzano, Zimet, Cummings, Gerentine and Noonan) offers the following:

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Legislature, after due consideration, has determined that it is desirable and in the public interest to act as the Lead Applicant, and with various Ulster County municipalities to undertake the necessary research and development for the submittal of an application under the 2007-2008 Shared Municipal Services Grant Program to be titled the “Ulster County-wide Shared Service Feasibility Study & Implementation Plan,” and

WHEREAS, the Study will research, identify and review the municipal services provided by the County and by the Co-Applicants named above. From this information an informative analysis will be completed describing areas where combining space, service, departments, or employees would result in positive outcomes including a cost savings and/or an increase in the quality and amount of service delivery. Conversely, any negative impacts resulting from shared services shall be identified and addressed. The study and implementation plan shall consist of a public process, work plan and preliminary project schedule for implementing short and long-term shared objectives, and

WHEREAS, the maximum amount of funds being applied for from the Shared Municipal Services Program is \$270,000.00; Ulster County hereby commits to providing \$30,000.00 in cash as the required 10% local share, and

WHEREAS, all Co-Applicants named above and by adopted resolutions shall be responsible for providing to the County copies of all municipal department budgets, staffing plans, development plans, service subcontracts, and any or all other information relating to the development of the “Ulster County-wide Shared Service Feasibility Study and Implementation Plan;” Co-applicants shall also be responsible for ensuring government representation and participation in the study’s development and implementation, and

WHEREAS, the Ways and Means Committee has met and reviewed said request with a majority of the members voting approval.

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature, or designee, is authorized and directed to submit an application for financial assistance under the

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Shared Municipal Services Program and is authorized to execute all other documents necessary for the implementation of this work, and is also authorized to execute all financial and/or administrative processes relating to the grant program, in the form as filed with the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature or as modified with the approval of the County Attorney,

and moves its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 32 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislator Felicello)

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

\$300,000.00 - (90% STATE REIMBURSABLE)

SHARED MUNICIPAL SERVICES INCENTIVE GRANT